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April 5, 2001

Freedom of Information/ Privacy Office

Mr. Ernie Lazar P.O. Box 423434 San Francisco, California 94142-3434

Dear Mr. Lazar:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of August 23, 1999, to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), for information concerning Charles Bartlett Hudson. The FBI, on March 22, 2001, referred four classified Army-originated records, retrieved from their files to this office for a releasability determination. This correspondence was received in this office on April 3, 2001.

We have completed a mandatory declassification review of the referred classified Army-originated records in accordance with Executive Order 12958. As a result of this review we have determined that the records no longer warrant security classification protection and are partially releasable to you. The records are enclosed for your use. Fees for processing this request are waived.

Since the release of some of the information deleted from these records would result in an unwarranted invasion of the privacy rights of the individuals concerned, this information is exempt from the public disclosure provisions of the FOIA pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code 552 (b)(7)(C).

The withholding of the information described above is a partial denial of your request. This denial is made on behalf

considered closed; however, such closure does not preclude you from filing litigation in the courts.

In addition, we have been informed by the FBI that their information is exempt from the public disclosure provisions of the FOIA pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code 552 (b)(7)(C). To aid you in identifying their information, we have bracketed it in black.

The withholding of the information by the FBI constitutes a partial denial of your request. If you decide to file an appeal, it should be sent to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U.S. Department of Justice, Flag Building, Suite 570, Washington, DC 20530-0001 within 60 days from the date of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal". Please cite the FBI FOI/PA #908604 assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

If you have any questions concerning this action, contact Ms. Kelley at (301) 677-4908. Please refer to case #595F-01.

Sincerely,

Russell A Nichols

Russell A. Nichols Chief, Freedom of Information/ Privacy Office

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WASHINGTON, D. C. SEP 29 1941

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Subject:

Letter of transmittal.

To:

Lt. Col. J. Edgar Hoover

Federal Bureau of Investigation

The attached communications are forwarded for your information and such action as you consider advisable.

SHERMAN MILES, Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

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MID 201. America First Committee

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Subject: CHARLES B. HUDSON,
AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE, et al.

September 26, 1941 (Date)

Summary of Information:

1. Concerning information of any established connection between CHARLES B. HUDSON, Editor-Lecturer, Omaha, Nebraska, and the activities of the AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE, according to our information HUDSON is in close touch with a who is an active anti-Semetic and anti-Communist worker.

2. Is a lady of apparent means, who is already under investigation by other government agencies. She lives in an apartment for which she pays (300 a month, and receives paying and non-paying visitors, some of whom apparently are werkers for her cause. She gathers material in this area for HUDSON and for Publisher of the

of Lincoln, Nebraska and for At present she is busy gathering information on personages in Army camps, especially Governors Island, which would appeal to anti-Semetic readers. She was the one who supplied HUDSON with information about MAJOR GENERAL PHILLIPSON in the August 12th number of HUDSON'S AMERICA IN DANGER and is now gathering further information on GENERAL PHILLIPSON, which will be published in

3. Through a confederate, who lives in the and who is a constant visitor in her apartment, gethers information from police officials and non-commissioned Army officers, whom picks up as the opportunity presents itself.

4. Another source reports that works close together with HUDSON, spreading HUDSON'S publications through verious individuals and clubs who look up to as leader and confederate.

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5. One of the active members of the Combat Section "OD" of the German-American Bund is.

who works under brders and who is now an active official of the AGENICA FIRST COMMITTEE, both at Headquarters at 515 Madison Avenue and especially at the 1050 Second Avenue Branch, which is classified as the Labor Veterans Headquarters, and, which)stated, is the headquarters for distribution of propaganda among soldiers in the New York area. spends considerable time in the neighborhood of Fort Dix. Hew Jersey, working out of the AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE at Trenton, New Jersey. When there, he is in close touch with who lives at a farm near Lakewood, New Jersey, and meetings have been arranged in a saloon in that neighborhood, at which non-commissioned officers and privates from Fort Dix were gathered. And several other confederates are continually canvassing soldfers, especially those who are to be discharged shortly from the United States Army, and then building up a list of men they consider susceptible to their propaganda. These men are gradually trained in anti-war propaganda, and through them AMERICA FIRST and BUND literature is transmitted to сапрв.

members of the GERMAN AMERICAN BUND or the AMERICAN DESTINY PARTY, now attend faithfully meetings of the AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE and occupy front rows. At the meeting August 27th in the Bronx, gave one of her associates a letter. The latter stepped to the platform and handed it to SENATOR NYE, who was the principal speaker of the evening.

7. who is an official of the Bund and one of its recognized leaders, accepts subscriptions and enrolls members in the AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE who are members of the GERMAN AMERICAN BUND, issuing receipts for same under his signature, although he knows full well that both the enrollees and himself, as members of the Bund, are barred from the AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE.



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October 28, 1941 (Date)

Subject: Anonymous Chain Letter to American Gentiles

Summary of Information:

Quoted below is an anonymous chain letter to American Centiles:

To American Gentiles:

The Jews are crucifying Colonel Lindbergh as they crucified Christ, and for the same reason - Speaking the Truth.

Lindbergh did not preach intolerance. He did not preach Anti-Semitism. He merely stated the Fact that the Jews are one of the main forces pushing Americans into the Europeana War. He preached "Pro-Americanism."

Immediately, the paid Jewish "Gentile Fronts" like the hypocrite, Willkie, and the paid Jewish "Gentile Front" press, radio, pulpit and movie leap to attack Lindbergh, screaming "religious intolerance."

None deny Lindbergh's stated fact. Instead they call names to create a smoke screen and to divert attention from the real issue.

It is time to WAKE UP AND LEARN THE FACTS about subversive un-American Jewish activities REFORE 700 LATE.

Send Fifty Cents to

Write Congressman J. Thorkedson, House Office Building, Washington, D. C. for a copy of his speeches, "Steps Toward British Union; A World State; and International Strife."

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Subject: Anonymous Chain Letter to

American Gentiles (Continued)

These publications will OPEN YOUR EYES. Christian "tolerance" that refuses to face facts ceases to be tolerance and becomes plain cowardice.

Send a copy of this entire letter to at least ten of your "Gentile friends. Maintain and extend the chain. DO IT NOW.

Don't sign your letters. To do so places you open to the same kind of "smear" campaign Lindbergh is receiving at the hands of Organized Jewry in this land of "Christian Tolerance" through their "Gentile Fronts."

If they don't know who you are, their paid "Gentile Fronts" can't scream at you and "smear" you. The Jews don't come out in the open, so beat them at their own game.

In the meantime, American Gentiles will learn the facts and stop the Jewish move to push Americans into the European War.

A 100% PRO-AMERICAN.

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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, G-2
WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 14, 1942

Subject:

Letter of transmittal

To:

Lt. Col. J. Edgar Hoover

Federal Dureau of Investigation

The attached communications are forwarded for your

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/s/ Raymond E. Lee

RAYMOND E. LEE Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

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Sends out printed postcard to Italy (January 2, 1941) offering to Italy the "Octupus" a "documented exposure of Jawish control in the United States."

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WAR DEPARTMENT
Military Intelligence Service
Washington 83230

Subject: Letter of Transmittal.

To:

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover. Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice,

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For the Chief, Military Intelligence Service:

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April 28, 1945 (Date)

Subject: Anti-American Propaganda.

Summary of Information:

Letter postmarked April 15, 1945, inclosing copy of paper "America Speaks", from Chas. B. Hudgon, 4887 Great St., Omaha, Webraska, addressed to

Consership, San Antonio, Terms, and forwarded to Chief Pestal Conser. Comments of the Examiner are as follows:

"I. Writer Predicts Dictatorship for U. S.

"On typewritten alip, emclosed in cover, writer states: 'This consorship - spy - persecution - death-penalty bill' (Examiner: referring to the 'War Security Act' H.R. 2087, which was rushed thru House of Representatives April 2d, 1943) 'envisions all that an informed person comprehends in the word "Gestepo".'

"Writer states that if addresses values the little freedom that is left, and if addresses's boys come back from the war to a country worth coming back to, addresses should write to his Senators 'MOW'.

"Writer states that now 'some alarmed press now realize that the two (and pending 5rd) indistrents illegaly imposed upon 88 and now 35 citizens, are part-and-parcel to the Distatorship, conspiracy being engineered by the real enemies of the U.S.A."

"Writer asks addressee's financial aid 'to fight this history-making turning point case."

"Signed: 'For Christ and Country, Chas. B. Rudson,'

"II. Conspiracy Case of Department of Justice Called Outrageous.

"Enclosed is peper 'America Speaks' no % Tannam 1840

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"Editorial Page 2, columns 1, 2, 3, & 4, entitled "The Great Conspiracy" states:
'---Our purpose in presenting this number of AMERICA SPEAKS is to try to offset
the damable lying propagands of the Communist Press, the Red commentators and the
various mouthpieces of the Department of Justice.'

"Writer states that he did not personally hear it, but he has been repeatedly told that Walter Winchell stated that writer was taken to Washington in chains and held there in fail; writer says he has been tried and convicted by Walter Winchell.

"Writer asks; 'Who is responsible for this amour compaign?' The answer is: the only source from which facts were obtainable is the Department of Justice office and the conspiracy is that of the Attorney General's office '-a conspiracy to swear, defume, libel and persecute these charged in the indictment, and to depart them of their constitutional rights. Some of them go so fer as to demand our execution; they say we should be liquidated as in Russia-forgetting that there has been no trial, up to date, except on the air and in the press.'

First the spiritual and moral let-down of the American people, to such a degree that they sent cheep politicians to Congress instead of statemen or even business men; and second, this love type of politician promptly surrendered their powers, powers that belong only in the hands of Congress, to the President of the United States, virtually making him the World's most powerfull dictator; he in turn delivers the power to men whom we find blazoned on the front pages of our newspapers as labor exers, food exers, etc., —— the lesser ones are known as Commissars—note the Russian terminology— these men are not elected by the people, and many of their sets are embirely without legal authority; for instance—— A fermer is under the threat of \$19,000 fine and 10 years imprisonment if he makes a false state—ment that he needs rubber boots when he does nt.

Writer infers financial help for a court proceeding should come from his readers, stating that most of the help has come from people in very meagre circumstances.

"Writer states that there are many readers of the Beacon Light who could donate a thousand dollars and not miss it; and there are sillionaires on his mailing list from whom 'we' should 'expect substantial help, but up to date that class of readers has done practically nothing.

"Writer concludes editorial (quote): 'Money can be sent anonymously by mail or express, if you are fearful of using your own name on any check or money order.'

Writer states that a percentage of moneys received will be used to help him and those less fortunate who are suffering-not only the men but their wives and families, who are doing it for 'you the American people'. These men are in jeil and could